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CRUSHED TO DEATH . . . An attempt to save the life of one of the victims of Saturday's car crash in Redondo proved futile. This car had to be raised with a jack to permit ambulance attendants to get to the body of Paul T. Reed of 216 So. Helberta Ave., Redondo Beach. Inside the automobile Mrs. Gloria E. Terry, driver of the

Torino GT, receives aid from Officer Tom Doty of the Redondo Beach Police Department. Mrs. Terry sustained chest and knee injuries and is in critical condition. Four persons died in the accident, including her daughter, Cheryl. (Press-Herald Photo by Henry Burke)

Expense Limit Gets Approval

Councilmen Impose Ceiling On Travel Costs

By NATALIE HALL
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Torrance City Councilmen finally voted at last night's regular session to put a ceiling on their own travel and expense accounts. The decision came in response to criticism from the press and public in recent months aimed at the council's failure to limit expenses.

Councilmen's official expenditures will be limited to \$125 per month, with the mayor's ceiling set at \$175. A yearly travel budget of \$1,200 each was established for all seven of the local lawmakers.

Councilmen Ross Sciarrotta termed the ceilings "realistic," commenting that the limits amounted to councilmen's average monthly and yearly expenses.

THE MEASURE was approved by a 6-0 vote for a six-month trial. Councilman Ken Miller pointed out that the three new councilmen would have a chance to assess the practicality of the limits in that time.

Also added to the motion was a suggestion from Councilman William J. Uerkwitz that the ceiling be raised by a vote of the council if emergency expenditures arise for any individual councilman.

Mayor Albert Isen, who broached the subject of limitations, insisted that councilmen's demands have been "extremely modest" and that there have been "very few abuses." He stated that such resolution would "take care of criticism from the community."

"THIS WORK is so enjoyable," the mayor joked, "I think I'd be willing to pay \$100 a month to sit here." Councilman Jay Beasley was not present at the meeting.

Due to the unusually heavy load of business, the City Council cut short the evening's agenda and adjourned to an additional meeting next Monday at 4:30 p.m.

Dump Permit Denied

City Councilmen "dumped the dump" last night, perhaps for good. The six lawmakers present at the regular meeting voted in one voice to keep a landfill dump out of WALTERIA homeowners' backyards, concurring with the Planning Commission's unanimous vote one month ago.

Councilmen doomed dump plans after turning down a request from proponents to postpone the hearing for five weeks.

Representatives of dump site owners said they were prepared to make new concessions, hoping that city planning bodies would reconsider their request.

TEMPTING City Councilmen to overturn the Planning Commission's decision, attorney Richard Del Guercio said his clients would donate the dump site's 40 acres to the city for a public park once the landfill was completed. Del Guercio added that site owners were prepared to pay costs of developing the park, bringing their total contribution to nearly a half million dollars.

To appease adjacent property owners, Del Guercio stated that his clients would move the dump boundaries back an additional 300 feet from nearby homes.

The proposed dump site is located between Crenshaw Boulevard and Madison Street, south of Winlock Road near the Torrance city limit. Zoned for single family residences, the land is now pitted from years of gravel quarrying operations.

DEBATE on the dump question was cut short when spokesmen for both sides agreed they had nothing further to add to testimony given (See DUMP, Page A-3)

10 Others Injured in Collision

By HENRY BURKE
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Redondo Beach police are investigating the fiery four-car collision that took the lives of three young men and a 14-year-old girl Saturday.

The head-on crash occurred on Camino Real (Sepulveda Boulevard) between Juanita Avenue and Prospect Street, Redondo Beach, at 12:05 p.m.

Ten other persons were involved in the collision. Two are still under intensive care at area hospitals.

KILLED AT the instant of impact were Bill DeWaide, 19, driver of an eastbound 1967

Chevy II which allegedly triggered the crash, and Paul T. Reed, 19, one of his two passengers.

A second passenger, who died Monday at 10 a.m., was Grant Alan Matthews, 20. Police said he was apparently riding in the rear seat. All three were thrown from the car.

Reed, a resident of 216 S. Helberta Ave., Redondo Beach, was the only person among 14 involved in the accident who did not live in Torrance.

CHERYLL TERRY, 14, of 4626 Cathann St., a passenger

in her mother's westbound car, died Sunday morning at Little Company of Mary Hospital from cerebral concussion, it was reported.

Her mother, Mrs. Gloria E. Terry, 34, is in critical condition at Little Company of Mary Hospital with an injured knee cap and a crushed chest.

Five other passengers in her 1968 Torino were hospitalized. Mrs. Terry reportedly was taking the six children to the beach.

Karen Kleiber, 14, of 5106 Jacques St., is in critical condition at South Bay Hospital with head injuries.

Suffering lesser injuries

while riding in the rear seat were four sisters. They are Jeanie Herman, 3; Judy Herman, 5; Lisa Herman, 10; and Catherine Herman, 14. The sisters, who live at 4713 Sepulveda Blvd., are listed in satisfactory condition. All are at Little Company of Mary except Lisa, who is at South Bay Hospital.

Not requiring hospitalization were two occupants of a 1964 bronze Thunderbird driven by Sherry Elaine Krug, 16, of 2423 W. 228th Place. Her passenger was Janice Thompson, 16, of 240 Via La Circula.

The cars driven by DeWaide and Miss Krug were reported by police as heading for the same destination.

THREE MALE occupants of a westbound yellow Thunderbird collided with Mrs. Terry's car during the chain reaction. Two of the boys, Lance Ucci, 17, of 5305 Lorna Drive, and Eric Lee Eidsvik, 17, of 18529 Grevillea Ave., were treated at South Bay Hospital for minor injuries.

Police said a third boy ran from the scene of the accident.

Handling the investigation are Redondo Beach Police Lt. Lee Carron and Officer Tom Doty, whose unit was first on the scene of the accident.

The officers said DeWaide and Matthews lived in an apartment in Hermosa Beach, but were identified as living with their parents. DeWaide's

address was 21918 Linda Drive, and Matthews' was 20836 Dalton St., Torrance.

THE CARS driven by DeWaide and Sherry Krug reportedly left Hermosa Beach enroute to the girl's home. At the intersection of Camino Real and Prospect Street (See CRASH, Page A-3)

BMHS Sets Weekend Festival

Early California Days Fiesta is the theme of Bishop Montgomery High School's second biennial fiesta Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Food and entertainment will be provided from 6 to 11 p.m. the first day and from 1 p.m. into the night during the weekend.

The setting along Main Street will be a frontier town and Indian Village. Professional athletes and entertainers will perform.

A dance will be held Friday for students and their guests. A queen will be crowned by John Ericson. The Muisa Machine and Daily Mail will perform during the dance.

Carnival games and rides and a fireworks display will be held.

The event is a benefit for school expansion and the contingency fund.

Nine Judges Named for Elementary School Fair

Nine local science leaders have been named as judges for the Torrance Elementary School Science Fair.

Entries in the biological, physical, and earth sciences will be judged from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, May 2. The two-day event will take place in the Torrance Recreation Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd., May 2 and 3.

Student tours and public viewing are scheduled from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday. Presentation of awards will take place Friday, May 3, at 7 p.m.

JUDGES named by Philip

Korman, fair chairman, include: Frank Bescoy, Air Research engineer; Adolph Blaecki, North American Aviation; Harold Drevno, head pharmacist at California Lutheran Hospital; Arthur Nickel, TRW; Hyman Silver, Aerospace; Dr. Donald Wilson, Torrance City Council; Mrs. Marjory West, Wright School science teacher; Allen Goldsmith, Arnold School science teacher; and George Floratos, Anza School science teacher.

Elementary school students are expected to submit some 200 entries, according to Korman. In most cases these entries represent winners of in-

dividual Elementary School Science Fairs.

AWARDS will include third and second place ribbons and medals, first place ribbons and trophies, and grand prize trophies in each of the three major science categories. Winners will be selected on the basis of creative ability, scientific thought, thoroughness, technical skill, knowledge of student, and project report.

A lobby display will feature new science materials used in the teaching of science in the elementary schools. Preparing the display will be the district's Educational Materials Building staff.



FIRST AID . . . Among the 14 persons involved in the four-car smashup on Sepulveda Boulevard in Redondo Beach Saturday, 13 were from Torrance. After removing six girls from one of the vehicles, the youngsters were attended to by firemen until they could be taken to the hospital by ambulance. Cheryl Terry, 14, died in the accident and Karen Kleiber, 14, is undergoing intensive care. Four Herman sisters are in satisfactory condition.

(Press-Herald Photo by Henry Burke)

Skills Center Hosts Guests

An open house is scheduled from 7 to 10 p.m. tomorrow at the Southern California Regional Occupational Center, 2300 Crenshaw Blvd., as part of Public Schools Week here. The center, described as a "new approach to total education," opened last Feb. 5 to some 300 high school students from six area school districts. Students and teachers will provide tours of the center for visitors during the open house.

Lomita Youth Drowns

A 4-year-old Lomita boy drowned in a backyard swimming pool Monday afternoon. Richard Shan Boersik, of 24628 Pennsylvania Ave., apparently wandered into the backyard of the Robert Phippen home, 2352 W. 246th St., at mid-afternoon. He was discovered by his mother, Jeana Boersik, about 3 p.m. The boy was dead on arrival at Little Company of Mary Hospital at 3:10 p.m., sheriff's deputies said.

Time to Move Ahead

Father Time will take a step forward early Sunday morning as clocks throughout the state are moved ahead for Daylight Savings Time. Clocks should be put ahead one hour at 1 a.m. Sunday morning—or when you retire for the night if you don't want to get up at 1 a.m. Standard time will return the last Sunday in October when the lost hour will be restored.